

# MADREPORA CARDUUS.

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## CHARACTER GENERICUS.

*Animal* Medusa.

*Corallium* cavitatibus lamelloso-flexuosis.

*Lin. Syst. Nat.* p. 1272.

## CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

MADREPORA dichotoma, ramis sulcato-muricatis, stellis simplicibus regularibus, lamellis serrato-dentatis.

*Soland et Ellis Zooph.* p. 153. t. 35.

β. MADREPORA lacera.

*Pall. Elench. Zooph.* 298.

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Super rupes Maris Indici crescit Madrepora Carduus.  
Veram ejus magnitudinem ostendit tabula.







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THE  
THISTLE MADREPORE.

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GENERIC CHARACTER.

*Animal* allied to a Medusa.

*Coral* marked with lamellar star-shaped cavities.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

Dichotomous MADREPORE, with furrowed,  
muricated branches, simple, regular stars,  
and tooth-serrated lamellæ.

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*Soland & Ellis Zooph.* p. 153. pl. 35.

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The Thistle Madrepore is found adhering to rocks in the Indian ocean, and is represented in its natural size on the annexed plate.